

July 1418

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ROEJEN, France

During the 100 Years War, Henry V of England conducted a successful campaign in France. In July, 1418 he undertook the siege of Rouen, a town in northern France. Reinforcements from Paris made it possible for Rouen to resist the siege longer, but finally on Jan 13, 1419 the town surrendered.

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Imitation of Christ
the spiritual classic (1418)
devotional book instructing
Christian how to seek perfection
by following Christ
by monk and writer Thomas
a Kempis (c 1380 - Aug 8, 1471)

1503- 1st English Translation

Aug 19, 1418

Competition was announced concerning the vaulting of the main Dome of the Cathedral, Santa Maria del Fiore in Florence.

Filippo Brunelleschi won. It is still the world's largest dome (143 ft. in dia.). He was a goldsmith & clockmaker. He engineered the perfect placement of brick & stone, built ingenious

hoists & cranes to carry an estimated 70 million
pounds, hundreds of feet into the air.
Also worker's platform & routines
so carefully that only 1 worker died
during decades of construction.
This was carried out amid plagues, wars,
political feuds

See Book by Ross King.

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During smallpox epidemic
of 1418 in Paris, some 50,000
corpses had to be disposed of within
one 6-week period.

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Council of Constantine dissolved

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Spain & Portugal

PORTO SANTO and MADEIRA
were discovered by Portugal.